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Equitas Academy Charter School

Minutes

February Board Meeting

Date and Time
Thursday February 13, 2025 at 3:30 PM

Location
1612 W Pico Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90015

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Topic: February Board Meeting
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Directors Present
C. Langston (remote), D. Ortiz, L. Heisser, M. Gomez, P. Reddy, R. McKenzie (remote), S. Jauregui, T. Bell, T. Hollenberg

Directors Absent
None

Directors who arrived after the meeting opened
T. Bell

Guests Present
A. Pariano, B. Canosa-Carr, C. Janssens, C. Melgares, J. Edelman, J. Freeman, J. Rudolph, K. Farrar, K. Gouveia, L. Lofton, N. Peters (remote), R. Spencer, S. Roditti, Samira Estilai

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I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance and Guests

B. Call the Meeting to Order

L. Heisser called a meeting of the board of directors of Equitas Academy Charter School to order on Thursday Feb 13, 2025 at 3:40 PM.

C. Approve Minutes

M. Gomez made a motion to approve the minutes from December Board Meeting on 12-12-24.
S. Jauregui seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

L. Heisser	Aye
P. Reddy	Aye
R. McKenzie	Aye
C. Langston	Aye
M. Gomez	Aye
T. Bell	Absent
D. Ortiz	Aye
T. Hollenberg	Aye
S. Jauregui	Aye

II. Public Comment

A. Public Comment

No public comment was made.

III. Organizational Updates

A. Principal Presentation

Corrie Janssens presented a school update on EQ4.

Jason Rudolph, Robert Spencer and Kyle Gouveia shared an update on the EQ5 Renewal process.
Sofia Roditti shared an update on Equitas priorities and the Equitas team shared details on Board member questions.

B. Equitas Academy #5 Renewal Update

C. Equitas Priorities

D. Break

T. Bell arrived at 4:55 PM.

E. '25-'26 Academic Calendar

P. Reddy made a motion to Approve the 25-26 Academic Calendar.
T. Bell seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

T. Bell	Aye
C. Langston	Aye
L. Heisser	Aye
T. Hollenberg	Aye
P. Reddy	Aye
M. Gomez	Aye
D. Ortiz	Aye
R. McKenzie	Aye
S. Jauregui	Aye

F. Form 700/Conflict of Interest

Cecilia Melgares presented details and updates on Form 700/Conflict interest Form.

G. Declaration of Need

D. Ortiz made a motion to Approve the Declaration of Need.
T. Hollenberg seconded the motion.
Jessica Edelman presented updates on the Declaration on Need.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

M. Gomez	Aye
P. Reddy	Aye
R. McKenzie	Aye
L. Heisser	Aye
T. Hollenberg	Aye
D. Ortiz	Aye

Roll Call	
S. Jauregui	Aye
C. Langston	Aye
T. Bell	Aye

H. Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) MOY Review

Kate Farrar presented LCAP MOY rreview.

I. Approval of Title IV LCAP Federal Addendum for Equitas #6 and Revision to Title IV LCAP Addendum for Equitas Academy, Equitas #2, Equitas #3, Equitas #4, and Equitas #5

M. Gomez made a motion to Approve Title IV LCAP Federal Addendum for Equitas #6 and Revision to Title IV LCAP Addendum for Equitas Academy #2, #3, #4, and #5.
T. Hollenberg seconded the motion.
Jason Rudolph shared an update on Title IV finding.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call	
C. Langston	Aye
T. Bell	Aye
L. Heisser	Aye
P. Reddy	Aye
S. Jauregui	Aye
D. Ortiz	Aye
M. Gomez	Aye
R. McKenzie	Aye
T. Hollenberg	Aye

IV. Resource Development

A. Committee Goals

Catie Langston shared updates on Resouce Development progress.

V. Academic Accountability

A. Committee Goals

Sylvia Jauregui shared Academic Committee updates.

VI. Finance

A. Committee Goals

Tom Hollenberg shared finance committee updates.

VII. Governance Committee

A. Committee Goals

Tyler Bell share Governance Committee updates.

VIII. Culmination of Meeting

A. Announcements

B. Evaluation of Meeting

Excellent Materials
Appreciation for staff answering questions
Adding headlines made the Board Packet easier to navigate.
Would like to see what is happening in classrooms to celebrate Black History Month

IX. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 5:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
L. Heisser